

FACT SHEET

New Confined Feeding Rule Operational Compliance Checklist For Existing Operations

The Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) offers operators of existing confined feeding operations the following checklist to provide guidance to comply with the new Confined Feeding Operation Rule (327 IAC 16), which is effective as of March 10, 2002.

Purpose: This quick checklist is designed to provide guidance about basic requirements for existing confined feeding operations. It is not designed to cover every possibility, which could be encountered at a farm. Please refer to the Confined Feeding Regulation Program Guidance Manual for a detailed discussion of the rule. Farms should continue to follow their permit, maintain all structures, keep manure in an approved structure, and prevent discharges of manure.

All existing operations should be sure you have addressed the following:

Universal Requirements

- 1. Do you have a spill plan? (see form)
- 2. Are you completing and documenting self monitoring inspections? (see form)
- 3. Do you maintain and have you documented the required minimum number of land application acres? (page 20 of the CFO Guidance Manual)
- 4. Have you tested your manure for nutrient content? (page 12 of the CFO Guidance Manual)
- 5. Have you done soil tests on the fields you plan to use? (page 11 of the CFO Guidance Manual)
- 6. Have you documented your manure land application activity? (see form)
- 7. Are you land applying in accordance with new prohibitions and setbacks? (see document)

Liquid Manure

8. If you have a lagoon or other outside storage, do you have manure level markers installed? (page 21 of the CFO Guidance Manual)

Solid Manure

9. Have you directed run-off and precipitation away from the solid manure storage or collected and managed the contaminated run-off?

If you are doing the above and using common sense, the site will be in compliance with the majority of the IDEM rules. If you are planning to construct or close a waste storage or confinement unit, marketing your manure, or spray irrigating, you should refer to the guidance document for additional specific requirements, which may apply to your operation.

If a spill occurs, call IDEM's 24-hour spill reporting line (888) 233-7745 and implement your spill plan.